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DEAR MEMBER:

YOUR Committee Staff is particularly proud to extend an invitation to all members and their friends to be on hand for the grand occasion of TCRT Streetcar 1300 operating under its own power again.

Next Saturday, May 25, 1963, operation of the 1300 will take place on the facilities of the Minnesota Transfer Railway on a half-mile stretch of track in the railroad's North Yard in the Midway District between Minneapolis and Saint Paul.

STARTING POINT: Alongside General Office Building of the Minn. Trans. Ry. 2071 University Avenue, Saint Paul. Can be reached from University & Prior Avenues by walking from the bus stop or by driving in from Prior Avenue just north of the Twins Motel.

TIME: Saturday, May 25, 1963, beginning at 10 AM thruout the afternoon.

Come early for a most enjoyable time to look around and ride as you please. The Committee's Shop members staged a try-out run of the car on May 11th and found all four motors in good operating condition. In fact, all the mechanical features of the car checked out A-1 and it was truly a trolley enthusiast's inspiration to see and hear the motorman's facilities in action and the car in movement.

As we have outlined in previous bulletins, power was supplied by means of a 6-cylinder automobile engine activating a 1500-pound generator which produced sufficient voltage to operate the 1300 about 25 mph. This power unit is mounted on a 4-wheel section car acquired from the M.T.Ry. and towed behind the 1300. A "juice" conductor line is attached to the trolley pole and another wire bonded to the car's bumper for the ground requirement.

The Committee gratefully thanks Jim Moe for loaning us the essential power unit and George Isaacs and his capable assistants for doing a great job in adapting it to achieve the successful trials enjoyed on that rainy Saturday, the 11th. We wish to thank the Minn. Transfer Ry. Management once again for its continued cooperation and genuine interest in "seeing us thru" on efforts to preserve and operate a Twin City Lines streetcar.

We are looking forward to seeing you on hand Saturday, May 25th, 10 AM.

Those of you still delinquent on dues, please try to close the gap at this time, if possible. Our expenses are mounting as operation of the car requires increased expenditures. Howz about taking care of it Saturday, May 25th, or before. Look up Judy Sandberg, our congenial Secy.-Treas. or utilize U.S. Mail service for 5¢ to her at 735 Woodlawn Avenue Apt. 104 Saint Paul 16. Make checks and money orders payable to Minnesota Historical Society. If you are not sure of the amount due telephone Judy at 698-9579---evenings.

Let us all delight on streetcar service for a change next Saturday, May 25th. Be there, Charlie & Charlene?

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